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WELCOME
HOME
VICTOR
STONE!

13+
TEEN

NATURE ISN'T CRUEL. IT'S JUST EFFICIENT.

POISON IVY

VOL. 1: THE
VIRTUOUS
CYCLE

"IT'S COMPLEX,
IT'S INTERESTING,
AND THE MORE
IVY QUESTIONS
HERSELF, THE
MORE IT REVEALS
ABOUT OURSELVES."

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THE FIRST HARDCOVER COLLECTION
OF THE BRUTAL AND POIGNANT
CHARACTER-DEFINING EPIC

ART PICTURED BY JESSICA FONG



MAY

HART PLAZA.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN.



TELL ME THE PLAN ONE MORE TIME, GIZ.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE PLAN, MAMMOTH. I'LL DO THE DIRTY WORK. JUST WATCH MY BACK.

THIS JOB'LL PROVE WE CAN DO THINGS ON OUR OWN.



OF COURSE, GIZ...



...MY EYE'S ON THE PRIZE.



WHY'S YOURS GREEN?

IT'S MATCHA. IT TASTES LIKE GREEN TEA.



I LOVE MATCHA.

YO, WHISKERS!



*SEE DC POWER:
A CELEBRATION #1.
--MARQUIS









THREE TEXT
MESSAGES
FROM SARAH
CHARLES.

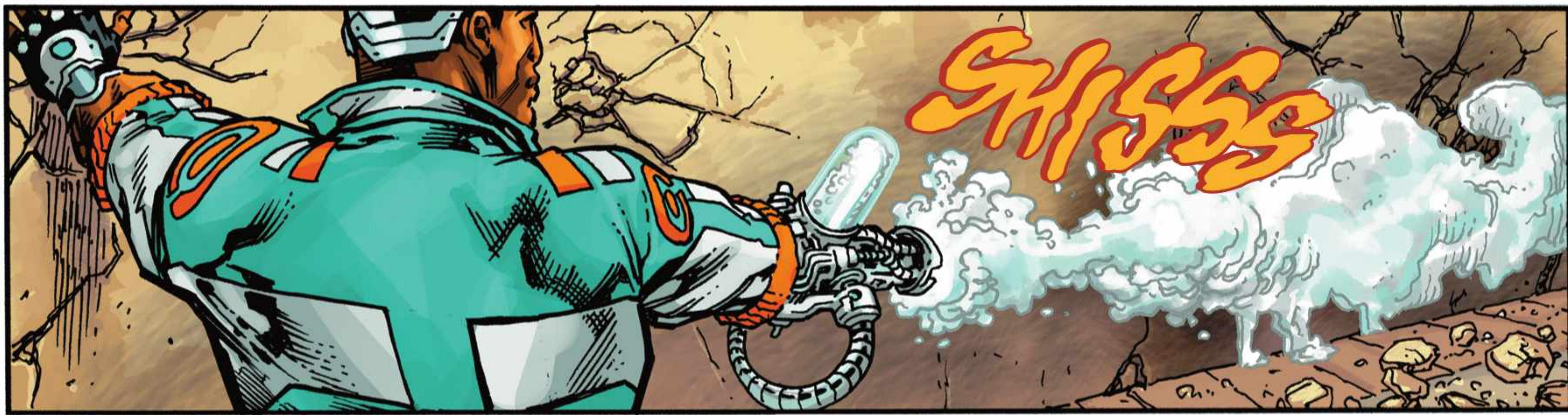
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BUSY
HERE!



Y'ALL
SHOULD
MOVE.



CRUMBLE



SHISS



OKAY...
MAYBE HE'S
HIM.

BEEP BEEP

CALL FROM
SARAH CHARLES.

SARAH,
WHAT THE
HE--



...WHAT?

SILAS STONE'S OFFICE.

S.T.A.R. LABS DETROIT.

I SPENT A LOT OF TIME WITH YOUR FATHER. HE GAVE ME THIS JOB RIGHT OUT OF COLLEGE, AND I HAVEN'T HAD A WEEKDAY WITHOUT HIM SINCE.

YET SOMEHOW, HE STILL DIED ALONE.

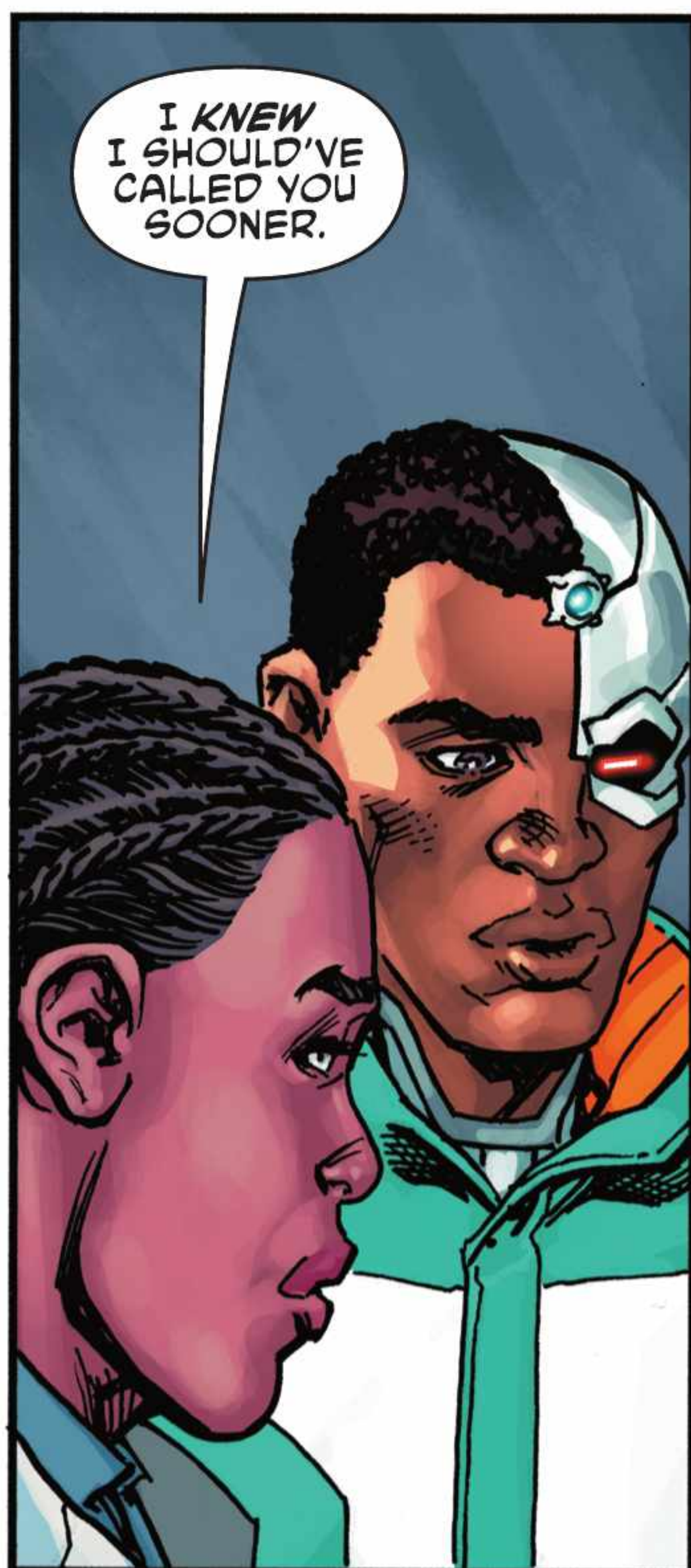
I'M *NEVER* LATE, BUT TODAY I WAS. I REVIEWED THE SECURITY FOOTAGE, AND HE WAS ALIVE FOR *TEN MINUTES* AFTER THE HEART ATTACK.

I COULD HAVE SAVED HIS LIFE IN THOSE TEN MINUTES. I'M SURE OF IT.

...I KNOW HE WAS LIKE A FATHER TO YOU.

IT'S THAT SAME VAGUE STOICISM THAT ENDED *OUR* RELATIONSHIP, VIC.

HE MAY HAVE BEEN *LIKE* A FATHER TO ME, BUT HE WAS *YOUR* FATHER.

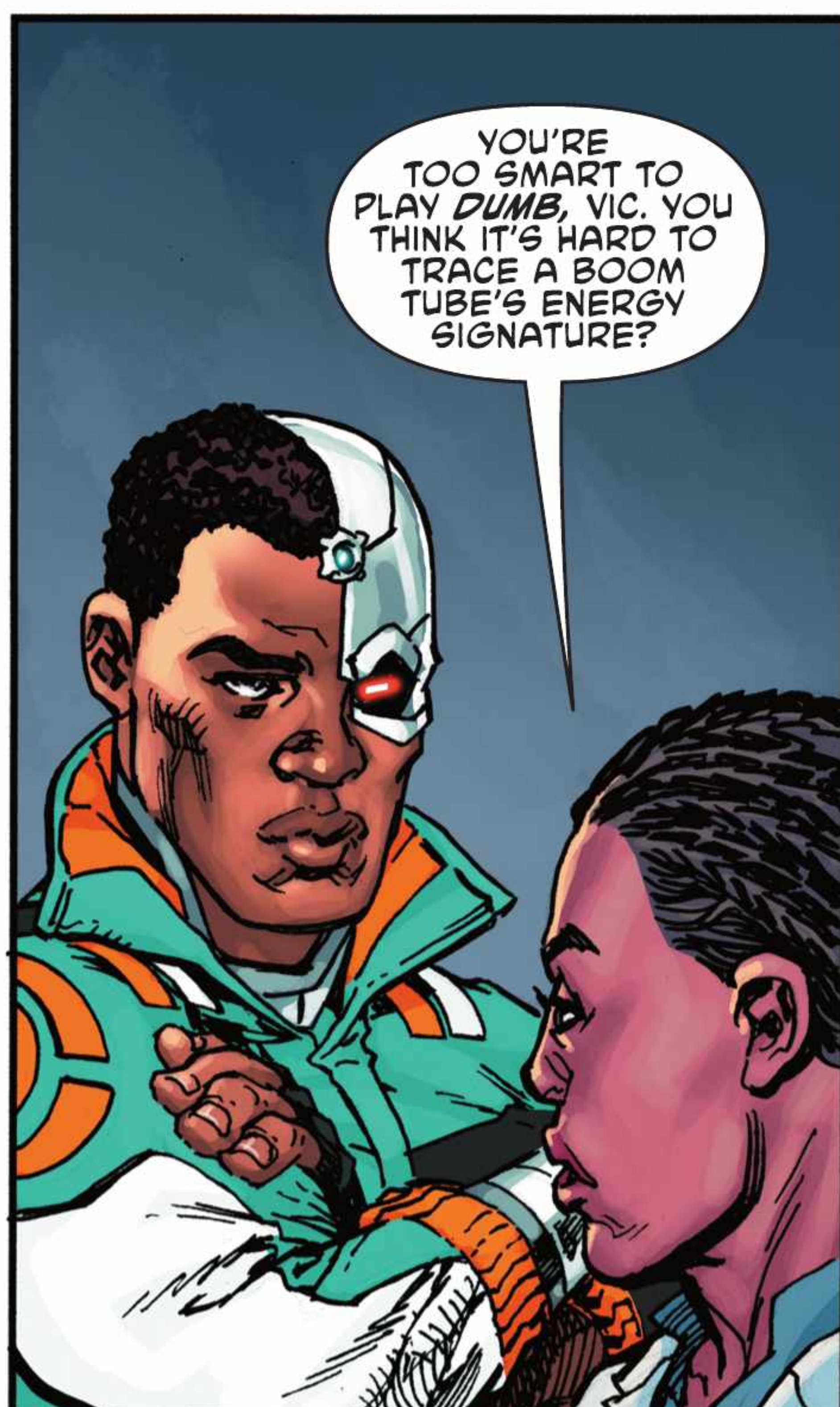


I *KNEW*
I SHOULD'VE
CALLED YOU
SOONER.

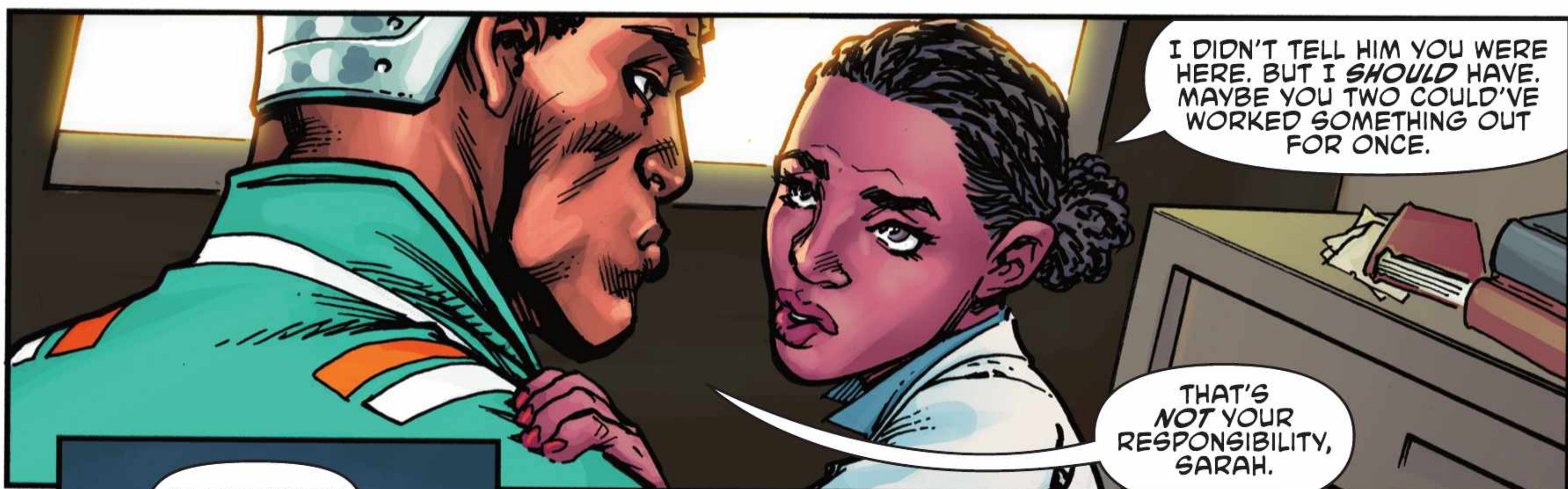


WHAT DO
YOU--

I *KNOW*
YOU'VE BEEN
BACK IN
DETROIT.



YOU'RE
TOO SMART TO
PLAY *DUMB*, VIC. YOU
THINK IT'S HARD TO
TRACE A BOOM
TUBE'S ENERGY
SIGNATURE?

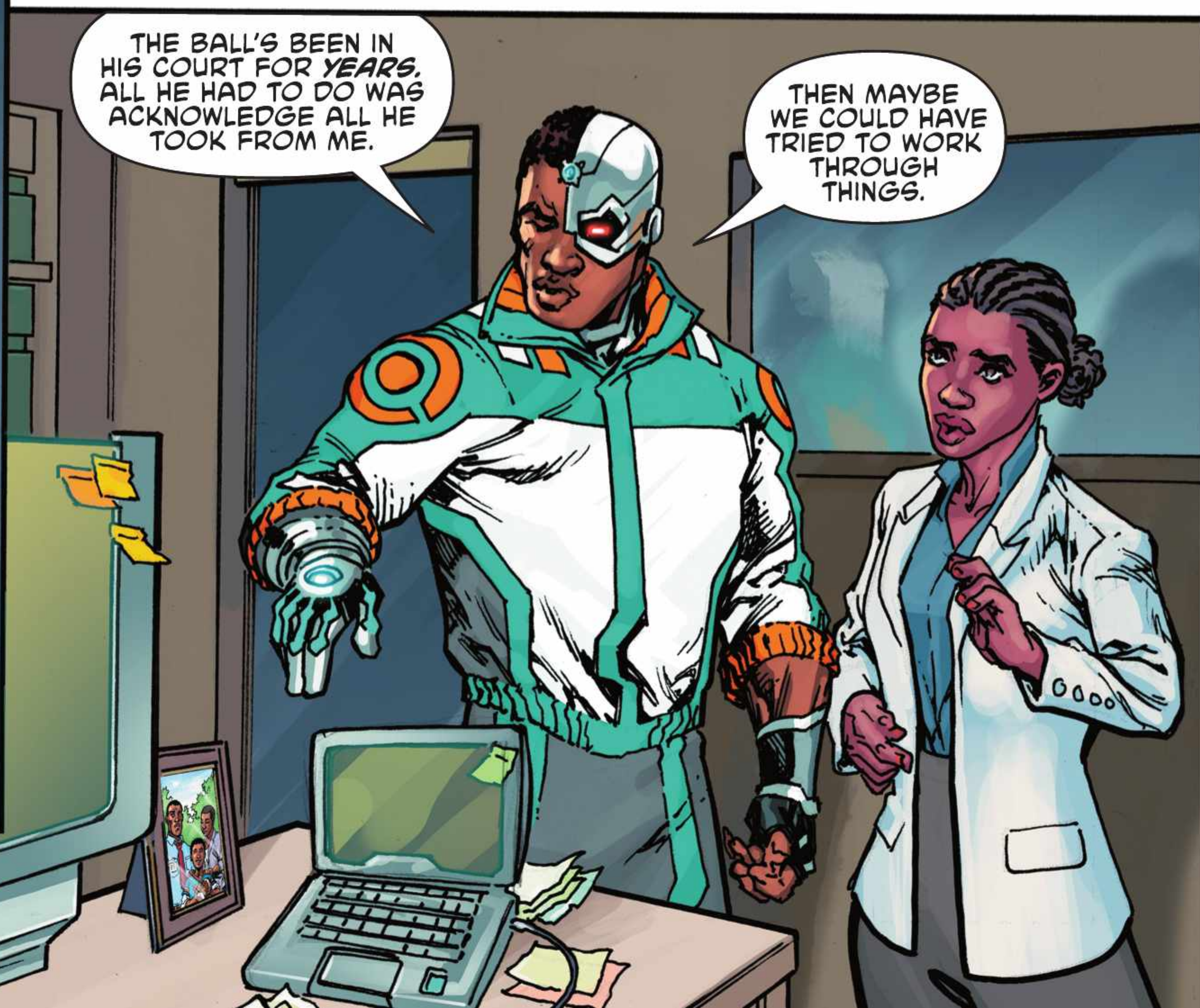


I DIDN'T TELL HIM YOU WERE
HERE. BUT I *SHOULD* HAVE.
MAYBE YOU TWO COULD'VE
WORKED SOMETHING OUT
FOR ONCE.

THAT'S
NOT YOUR
RESPONSIBILITY,
SARAH.



IF *YOU* KNEW
I WAS HERE,
SO DID *HE*.



THE BALL'S BEEN IN
HIS COURT FOR *YEARS*.
ALL HE HAD TO DO WAS
ACKNOWLEDGE ALL HE
TOOK FROM ME.

THEN MAYBE
WE COULD HAVE
TRIED TO WORK
THROUGH
THINGS.



LIVE CYBORG: BACK IN DETROIT



HEY Y'ALL
IT'S ESTELLE
GREEN.
DETROIT? IT'S
TIME TO DO
BETTER...

...BECAUSE
I KNOW
THAT'S NOT
WHO I THINK
IT IS.

Do Better,
Detroit



ESTELLE GREEN
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I KNOW THAT'S NOT BOOYAH
BOY, A.K.A. COME AND GO
AS I PLEASE. AND I KNOW
Y'ALL AREN'T CHEERING
FOR THIS MAN?!



S SammeeBMuphns
Cyborg is BACK!

N NappyNeal My Man
needs a haircut.
I know a guy.

G GottaHavIt Dude got
on the type of
sweats you wear to
casually throw
hands.

Do Better,
Detroit



CYBORG'S
PROBABLY JUST
HERE TO GET SOME
GOOD PRESS, SINCE
HE AND HIS OLD CREW
THE TITANS ARE
STEPPING UP LATELY
WITH THE LEAGUE
ON HIATUS.



DID YOU SEE
HOW QUICK HE
DIPPED AFTER
THAT FIGHT?

Dude got
it
near to
now

Z ZooZen I need that
jacket expeditiously.

X XTRApunk Dude
has HANDS, fr.

J JayDSowthah Mans
got on the STONE
1's!!

Do Better,
Detroit



GIZMO AND
MAMMOTH WILL BE
HELD AT S.T.A.R.
LABS FOR THE TIME
BEING DUE TO AN
"EMERGENCY."

THEY
WON'T BE
TRANSFERRED
TO IRON HEIGHTS
UNTIL THE END
OF THE
WEEK.



WHEN THEY
BREAK OUT AND
YOUR CAR GETS
SMASHED, YOU
KNOW WHO TO
BLAME.

Dude
fr.
the
s!!

S Snuffie Was he
always this fine??

W WylChyl You
think he wears a
du-rag?

Do Better,
Detroit



THAT BRINGS ME TO MY
SPONSOR FOR TODAY'S
EPISODE. HAVE YOU BEEN
INJURED BY ANY OF THE
RECENT SUPER-VILLAIN
ATTACKS, POSSIBLY
ONE THAT FEATURED
CYBORG?



JAMIE KORKMAZ
HAS YOUR BACK!
RAIN, SLEET, SNOW,
OR SUPER POWERED
SUFFERING, CALL
1-555-I-AM-HURT
FOR A FREE
CONSULTATION.

wears a
du-rag?

N Notthat1 Okay wig...

F FrancyJem Jamie
reminds me of my
dad.

1-555-I-AM-HURT

Do Better,
Detroit

NOW IT'S TIME FOR THE DUMBASS OF THE DAY. AS YOU KNOW, THIS IS A SHOW ABOUT DETROIT.

NOT THE ONE YOU SEE IN THE MOVIES, BUT THE ONE THAT PEOPLE LIKE ME AND YOU LIVE EVERY DAY.

Mans got on the STONE 1's!!

S Snuffie Was he always this fine??

W WylChyl You think he wears a du-rag?

N Notthat1 Okay wig...

F FrancyJem Jamie reminds me of my dad.

DETROIT IS CHANGING BEFORE OUR EYES, AND THIS MAN, ROBOTICIST-TURNED-TECHIE, MARKUS WILCOX, IS A BIG REASON WHY.

DISPLACEMENT AS A RESULT OF GENTRIFICATION ISN'T NEW HERE, BUT BECAUSE OF MARKUS'S NEW COMPANY, SOLACE, IT'S MOVING FAST.

W WylChyl You think he wears a du-rag?

N Notthat1 Okay wig...

F FrancyJem Jamie reminds me of my dad.

Q QuiQuiDeuce Why he look like that?

J Je\$\$\$e It's giving Norbit Imaooo

Do Better,
Detroit



SOLACE AIMS TO GIVE YOU THE ANSWERS TO A SUCCESSFUL LIFE.

YOU SEND THEM YOUR SPIT, AND THEY HIT YOU BACK WITH A MEAL PLAN, WORKOUT ROUTINE, DATING POOL, AND CAREER PATH. PRETTY DOPE, RIGHT?

J Je\$\$\$e It's giving Norbit Imaooo

S SpudMcGoo Solace is pretty dope, ngl.

P Petey Blue It just makes life easier.

Do Better,
Detroit

WRONG!

WE SENDING SPIT TO CEOs NOW? THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DOING?

J Je\$\$\$e It's giving Norbit Imaooo

S SpudMcGoo Solace is pretty dope, ngl.

P Petey Blue It just makes life easier.

N Notthat1 You sound jealous, tbh

S SpudMcGoo I don't have time to figure out what to eat! Solace helps.

Do Better,
Detroit

MARKUS AIMS TO "HELP PUT DETROIT BACK ON THE MAP," BUT HE'S PUSHING FAMILIES OUT OF THEIR HOMES, AND FOR WHAT?

BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE TOO LAZY TO FIGURE OUT THAT THEY NEED TO EAT A SALAD EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE? MISS ME WITH THAT.

J Je\$\$\$e He do kinda got a big forehead tho.

M MoonMagz Big Forehead= Big bags of money.

ONE WEEK LATER.

IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU IN PERSON FOR A CHANGE, VICTOR. I JUST WISH IT WAS UNDER BETTER CIRCUMSTANCES.

HOW ARE YOU FEELING?

I'M FINE, DR. SUTTON.

ARE YOU STILL WRITING IN YOUR JOURNAL?

I KIND OF... FELL OFF AFTER MY MOM'S BIRTHDAY.

I HOPE YOU'LL CONSIDER PICKING IT BACK UP.

WE'VE MADE SOME **POWERFUL** BREAKTHROUGHS REGARDING YOUR MOTHER. YOU HAVE MORE BALANCE IN YOUR LIFE AS A RESULT.

YOU NEVER TALK ABOUT YOUR **FATHER**.

FINE. WHAT DO YOU WANT TO HEAR?

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO **SHARE**?

THE FUNERAL...



SILAS STONE WAS A LOT OF THINGS TO A LOT OF PEOPLE...

"HE AND MY MOTHER, ELINORE STONE, WERE BOTH DEDICATED TO PUSHING SOCIETY FORWARD WITH SCIENCE, INGENUITY, AND UNDENIABLE GENIUS."

"BUT I WANTED TO *INSPIRE* AS AN ATHLETE. MY MOM WAS COOL WITH THAT, DAD NOT SO MUCH."

"HE USED TO SAY TO ME, 'BY GOD, SON, I'VE HAD SUCH GREAT DREAMS FOR YOU. YOU'VE GOT THE STUFF OF BRILLIANCE.'"

"LIKE I WAS LETTING HIM DOWN BY HAVING MY OWN ASPIRATIONS."

"MY DAD WAS SO CONCERNED WITH THE *FUTURE*. HE HAD A HARD TIME BEING IN THE *PRESENT*."

"AFTER MY ACCIDENT AND THE DEATH OF MY MOTHER, HE GOT *HIS* DREAM. SUDDENLY, HE COULD REMOLD ME JUST HOW HE ALWAYS WANTED."

"BUT HIS *DREAM* WAS MY NIGHTMARE."

"HE WAS ECSTATIC WHEN I WAS A MEMBER OF *THE JUSTICE LEAGUE*, BUT THAT WAS NO PLACE FOR A TEENAGER. ESPECIALLY NOT ONE AS ANGRY AND CONFUSED ABOUT HIS NEW BODY."

"JOINING *THE TEEN TITANS* HELPED ME PROCESS THAT ANGER. I WAS AROUND OTHER KIDS I COULD RELATE TO, AND I WAS ACCEPTED, *VALUED*, FOR WHO I WAS. MY FRIENDS BECAME MY SECOND FAMILY, AND FOR ONCE, IT WAS LIKE I HAD MY OWN AGENCY."

"DAD TRIED TO PATCH THINGS UP BY BUILDING US A DOPE *CLUBHOUSE*, HOPING TO WIN BACK MY TRUST. BUT THE MAN HAD THE PLACE *TAPPED* SO HE COULD KEEP AN EYE ON ME. EVIDENCE THAT I WAS WASTING MY POTENTIAL."

"MY FATHER WAS A *BRILLIANT* SCIENTIST AND A *FIERCE* ADVOCATE FOR DIVERSITY."

THIS WAS WHO MY DAD WAS, AND I HAD TO ACCEPT THAT.

"HE LEFT LEGACIES BEYOND ME THAT WILL BE SERVING HUMANITY FOR *GENERATIONS*."

"HE WAS A LOT OF THINGS TO A LOT OF PEOPLE, BUT I JUST WISH THAT HE COULD HAVE BEEN MORE OF A FATHER."





YOU SAID A WHOLE LOT THERE, EXCEPT HOW YOU *FEEL*.

YOU WANT ME TO SAY THAT I FEEL *BETTER* BECAUSE MY DISTANT DAD'S HEART GAVE OUT?

DO YOU *WANT* TO SAY THAT?



I *DO* FEEL BETTER...



...WHICH... MAKES ME FEEL *WORSE*.

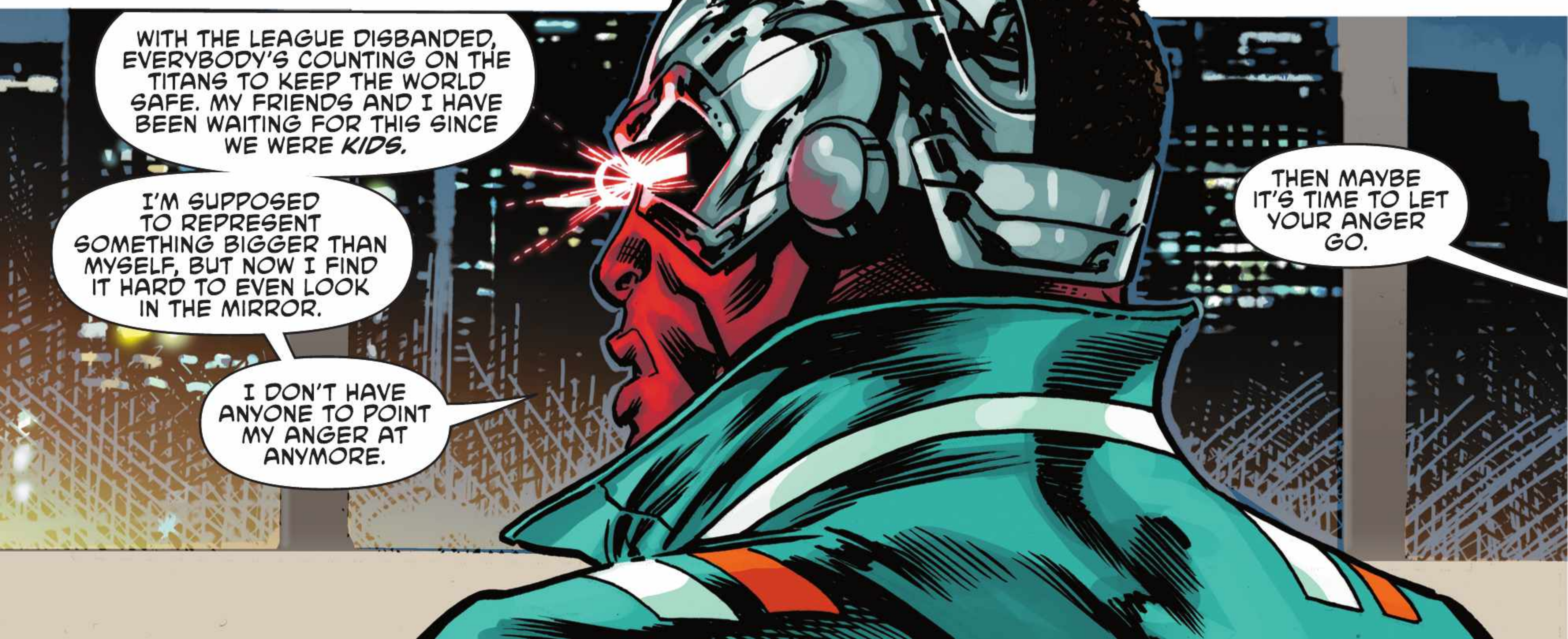


HE TOOK MY CHOICES FROM ME, AND TURNED ME INTO *THIS* AGAINST MY WILL.



EVEN THOUGH HE DID SO TO SAVE MY LIFE, IT WASN'T *MY* CHOICE.

MY FATHER WAS A GREAT MAN TO A LOT OF PEOPLE. BUT I'M NOT ONE OF THEM.



WITH THE LEAGUE DISBANDED, EVERYBODY'S COUNTING ON THE TITANS TO KEEP THE WORLD SAFE. MY FRIENDS AND I HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR THIS SINCE WE WERE *KIDS*.

I'M SUPPOSED TO REPRESENT SOMETHING BIGGER THAN MYSELF, BUT NOW I FIND IT HARD TO EVEN LOOK IN THE MIRROR.

I DON'T HAVE ANYONE TO POINT MY ANGER AT ANYMORE.

THEN MAYBE IT'S TIME TO LET YOUR ANGER GO.

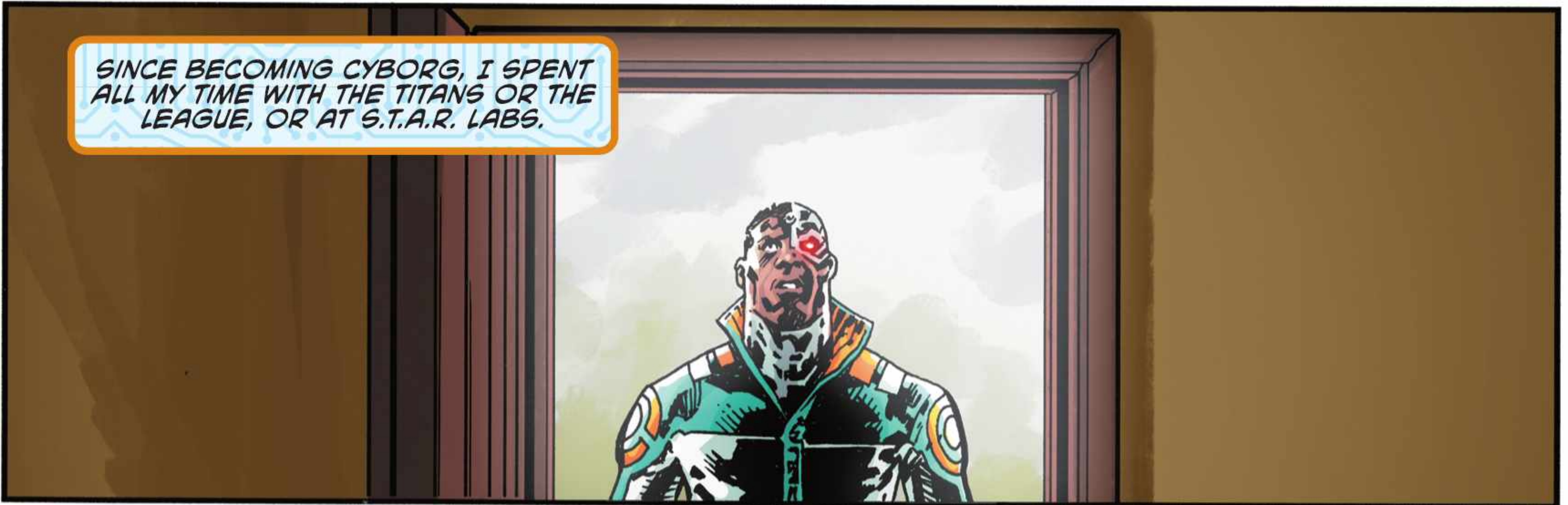


DETROIT.

THE WEST SIDE.

I HAVEN'T BEEN
BACK IN THIS
HOUSE IN YEARS.

NOT SINCE
MOM DIED.



SINCE BECOMING CYBORG, I SPENT
ALL MY TIME WITH THE TITANS OR THE
LEAGUE, OR AT S.T.A.R. LABS.



WHAT IS
THAT?!

GOTTA BE
ONE OF THOSE
SOLACE FOOD
DELIVERY BOTS
I HEARD MY
UNCLE TALKING
ABOUT.



YOU CAN'T
EVEN LEAVE THE
HOUSE WITHOUT
SEEING ROBOTS IN
THE STREET THESE
DAYS. I'M SICK,
BRO.

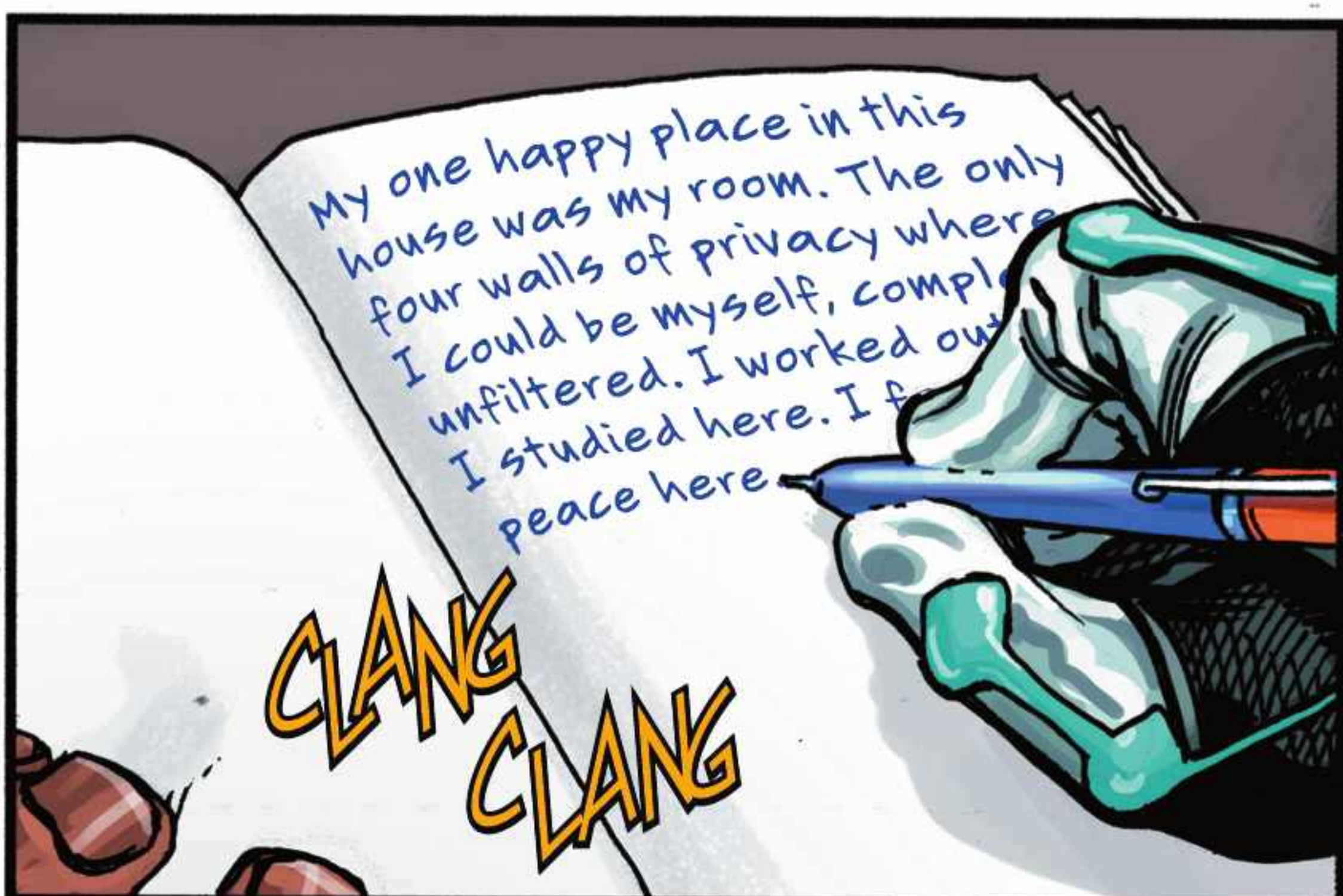
THOSE
HORRIBLE
YELLOW
EYES!



FROM WHAT I CAN REMEMBER, THIS
PLACE NEVER FELT MUCH LIKE A HOME.

WE WERE A BUSY FAMILY.
AT A CERTAIN POINT, WE
DIDN'T SPEND MUCH TIME
HERE OTHER THAN TO SLEEP.







INNER CITY BLUES

MORGAN
HAMPTON
WRITER

TOM
RANEY
ARTIST

V-VICTOR?

...MY
FATHER.

BY GOD, SON.
YOU'VE GOT THE
STUFF OF
BRILLIANCE.



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TO BE CONTINUED...

MAD

AL JAFFEE

1921-2023



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DC and MAD Magazine mourn the loss of the incomparable Al Jaffee, creator of the MAD Fold-In, Snappy Answers to Stupid Questions, and many other MAD features throughout the decades. A humble and kind creator, Al's presence, his astute social commentary, and his endless amusement at life's ups and downs shaped the fabric of the magazine.

"Al Jaffee was an incredibly gifted man who touched our hearts and never failed to make us laugh," said Jim Lee, chief creative officer and publisher of DC. "He garnered the highest accolades and praise in the world of illustrations and comics."

Al was named the Reuben Awards' Outstanding Cartoonist of the Year in 2008 and was inducted into the Will Eisner Hall of Fame in 2013 and the Society of Illustrators' Hall of Fame in 2014. He holds the Guinness World Record for the longest career as a comics artist, beginning with his first publication in *Joker* comics in 1942 and continuing through his time at MAD until his retirement in 2020.



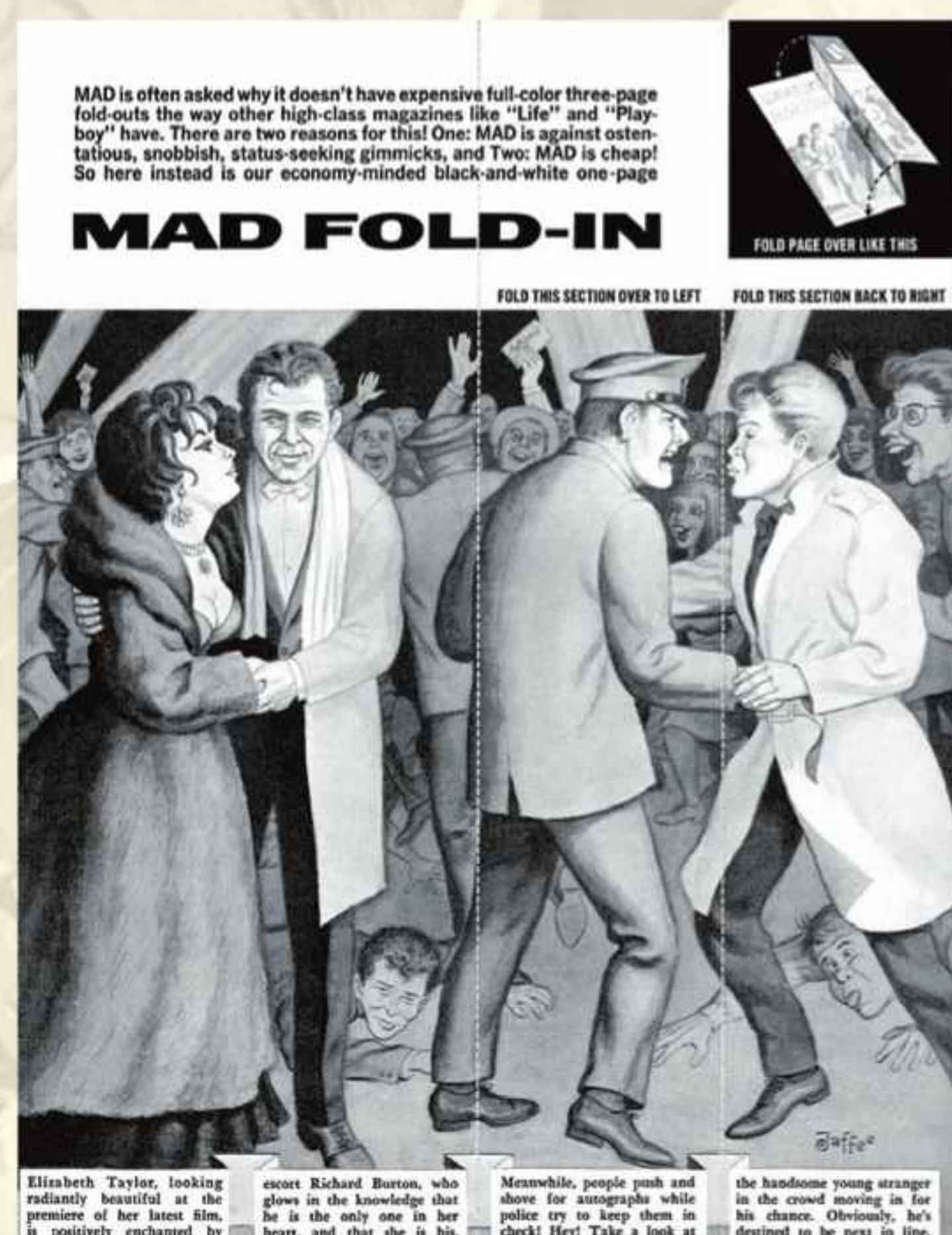
"Al was, at heart, a rascal," said John Ficarra, former MAD editor-in-chief, who worked with Al for over 35 years. "He always had a playful twinkle in his eye and brought that sensibility to everything he created."

"It was an event when Al would visit the MAD offices to drop off a Fold-In," said former MAD art director Sam Viviano. "The entire staff would gather for an hour just to listen to him talk about his amazing life and career."

"Al embodied the true spirit of MAD, and so many humorists, cartoonists, and creatives will find inspiration in his work for generations to come," said Suzy Hutchinson, MAD Magazine art director. "He was a national treasure, and it was an honor to work with and learn from such an ingenious, caring, and wholly creative soul, the best of the Original Gang of Idiots."

An archive of Al's work is held at Columbia University.

He will be MADly missed.



Al's first MAD Fold-In, from MAD #86, April 1964



Al's iconic signature



Al's last MAD Fold-In, from MAD #14, August 2020



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LEGENDS**

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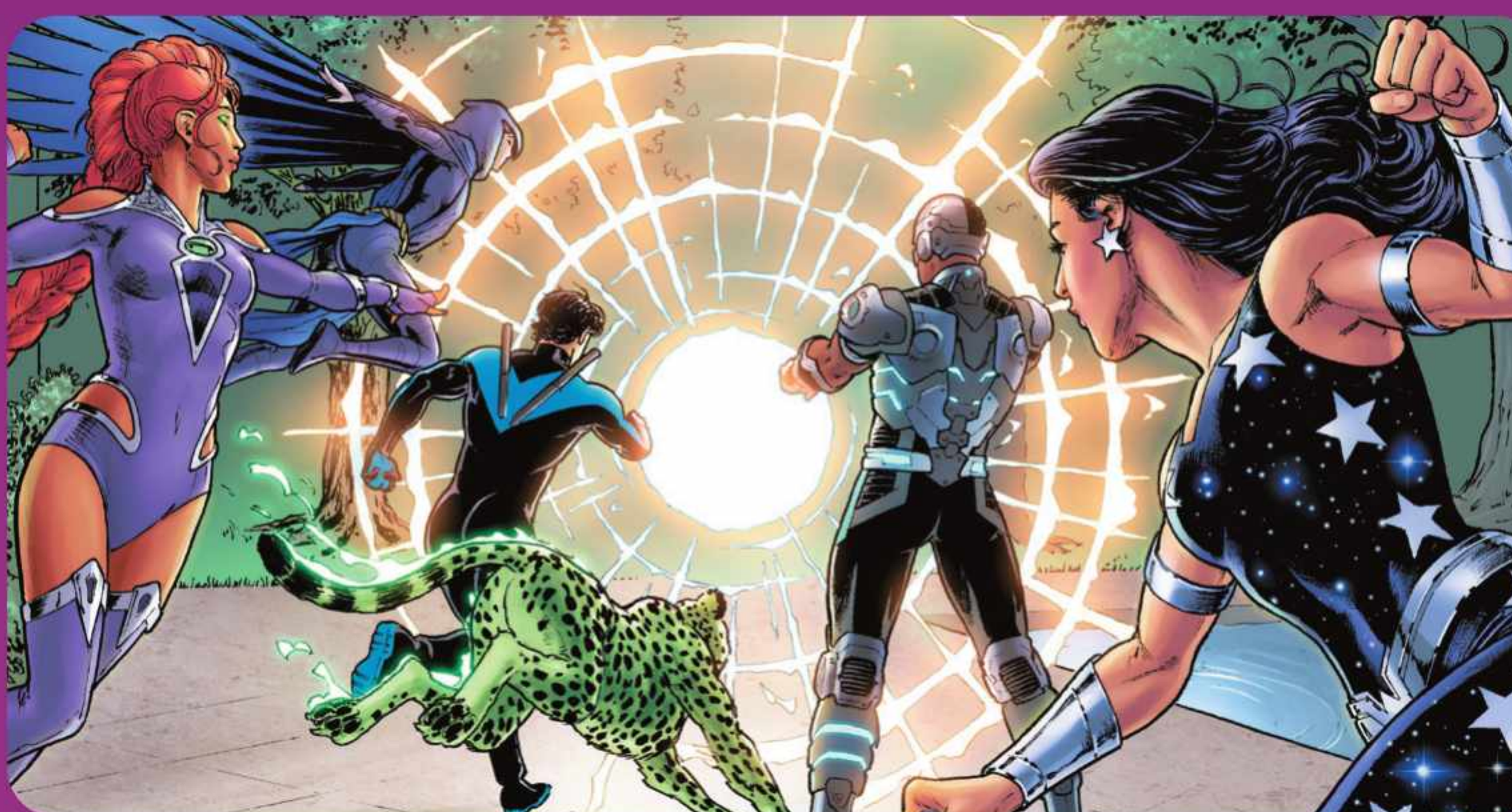
TITANS

With the Justice League still disbanded following the events of *Dark Crisis on Infinite Earths*, there's a new premier super-team in the DC Universe: the Titans! The classic lineup of Nightwing, Starfire, Cyborg, Raven, Beast Boy, Donna Troy, and the Flash headline the new Titans series from the superstar duo of *Nightwing* writer Tom Taylor and former *Wonder Woman* artist Nicola Scott, debuting as part of DC's yearlong Dawn of DC storytelling initiative.

Naturally, as soon as *Titans* was announced, fans were eager to see what Taylor had planned and how these fan-favorite characters would look illustrated by Scott—and we've got you covered. Check out this exclusive look inside May's *Titans* #1 and peek at Scott's character designs for the series!



**DON'T MISS *TITANS* #1,
ON SALE IN MAY!**



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